

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A method of displaying a spiral scrollbar graphic user interface, said method comprising:

~~a non-linear path region that corresponds to a~~ corresponding an entire ordered list of
items in a computer application to a spiral trough of said spiral scrollbar, wherein ~~said non-linear~~
~~path region comprises a spiraling trough progressively winding tighter from an outer periphery~~
~~region towards a geometric center point~~ a central region of said spiral trough corresponds to one
end of said entire ordered list and an outermost region of said spiral trough corresponds to
another end of said entire ordered list; and

~~a non-linear rotatable handle region that corresponds to a subset of the items in the list;~~
~~and~~

~~a display adapted to display said spiraling trough~~
corresponding a thumb region located on a portion of said spiral trough to a subset of
contiguous items of said entire ordered list, wherein rotating said thumb region inwardly on said
spiral trough allows more rapid scrolling through said entire ordered list, when compared to
rotating said thumb region outwardly.

2. (Currently Amended) The graphic user interface method of claim 1, all the limitation of
which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein ~~the non-linear path region~~ said spiral trough
comprises a smooth spiral configuration.
3. (Currently Amended) The graphic user interface method of claim 1, all the limitation of
which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein ~~the non-linear path region~~ said spiral trough
comprises a square spiral configuration including right angles.
4. (Canceled).

5. (Currently Amended) The graphic-user-interface method of claim 1, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein each of ~~the items in the~~ item of said entire ordered list of items is represented by a fixed proportion of ~~the path-region a length of said spiral trough~~.
6. (Currently Amended) The graphic-user-interface method of claim 1, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein ~~the handle~~ said thumb region is proportional to a fixed proportion of ~~the path-region a length of said spiral trough~~.
7. (Currently Amended) The graphic-user-interface method of claim 5, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the fixed proportion ~~[[is]]~~ corresponds to a fixed angle.
8. (Canceled).
9. (Currently Amended) The graphic-user-interface method of claim 1, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein a total length of ~~the path-region said spiral trough~~ is directly proportional to ~~an amount~~ a number of items in the entire ordered list.
10. (Currently Amended) The graphic-user-interface method of claim 1, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, further comprising a ~~display-region that displays~~ displaying the subset of contiguous items of said entire ordered list around said spiral trough.
11. (Currently Amended) The graphic-user-interface method of claim 1, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, further comprising a handle rotating said thumb region along said spiral trough by a thumb manipulator ~~for maneuvering the handle region of~~ said graphical user interface.

12. (Currently Amended) A ~~non-linear~~ method of displaying a spiral scrollbar, said method comprising:

a geometric center point;

an outer periphery region;

corresponding an entire ordered list of items to a spiraling trough, progressively winding tighter from said an outer periphery region towards said a geometric center point and corresponding to a list of items in a computer application of said spiraling trough, wherein said spiraling trough comprises:

at least one of an outside region, corresponding to one end of said entire ordered list, or an inside region, corresponding to another end of said entire ordered list; and

a thumb region, corresponding to a subset of contiguous items of said entire ordered list, wherein said thumb region is located inwardly from said outside region and outwardly from said inside region;

corresponding a rotatable thumb that corresponds to an accessed a portion of the entire ordered list of items, wherein said rotatable thumb is extendable locatable anywhere between said geometric center point and said outer periphery region;

~~a partition region that corresponds to predetermined transitions between items in the list;~~

manipulating a handle thumb manipulator for maneuvering to rotate the rotatable thumb, wherein rotating said handle thumb manipulator maneuvers said rotatable thumb quicker towards said geometric center point than towards said outer periphery region inwardly on said spiraling trough allows more rapid scrolling through said entire ordered list, when compared to rotating said rotatable thumb manipulator outwardly; and

a display adapted to display displaying said spiraling trough, said thumb manipulator, and said rotatable thumb on said graphical user interface.

13. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 12, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein as the rotatable thumb rotates, the list of a display of said subset of contiguous items of said entire ordered list of items rotate changes correspondingly.

14. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 12, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ spiraling trough comprises a smooth spiral configuration.

15. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 12, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ spiraling trough comprises a square spiral configuration including right angles.

16. (Canceled).

17. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 12, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein each ~~of the items in the~~ item of said entire ordered list is represented by a fixed proportion of the ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ a length of said spiraling trough.

18. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 12, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the ~~rotatable thumb~~ region is proportional to a fixed proportion of ~~the non-linear scrollbar~~ a length of said spiraling trough.

19. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 17, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the fixed proportion [[is]] corresponds to a fixed angle.

20. (Canceled).

21. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 12, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein a total length of the ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ spiraling trough is directly proportional to ~~an amount~~ a number of items in the entire ordered list.

22. (Currently Amended) The ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ method of claim 12, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the subset of contiguous items of said entire ordered list of items ~~are arranged and is~~ displayed circumferentially around a perimeter of the ~~non-linear spiral~~ scrollbar.

23. (Canceled).

24. (Previously Presented) A method of ~~manipulating data through~~ using a spiral scrollbar displayed on a graphical user interface, said method comprising:

~~corresponding a non-linear scrollbar to a list of items in a computer application;~~

~~corresponding a non-linear rotatable region to an accessed portion of the list of items;~~

~~corresponding a partition region to predetermined transitions between items in the list;~~

and

~~displaying said non-linear scrollbar~~

corresponding an entire ordered list of items in a computer application to a spiral trough of said spiral scrollbar, wherein a central region of said spiral trough corresponds to one end of said entire ordered list and an outermost region of said spiral trough corresponds to another end of said entire ordered list; and

corresponding a thumb region located on a portion of said spiral trough to a subset of contiguous items of said entire ordered list, wherein rotating said thumb region inwardly on said spiral trough allows more rapid scrolling through said entire ordered list, when compared to rotating said thumb region outwardly.

25. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein as the ~~rotatable region rotates~~ thumb region is rotated, a display of the subset on contiguous items of the entire ordered list of items ~~rotate~~ changes correspondingly.

26. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are

incorporated herein by reference, wherein the ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ spiral trough comprises a smooth spiral configuration.

27. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ comprises a square spiral configuration including right angles.

28. (Canceled).

29. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein each ~~of the items in the~~ item of said entire ordered list of items is represented by a fixed proportion of the ~~non-linear scrollbar~~ a length of said spiral trough.

30. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the ~~rotatable thumb~~ region is proportional to a fixed proportion of ~~the non-linear scrollbar~~ a length of said spiral trough.

31. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 29, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein the fixed proportion [[is]] corresponds to a fixed angle.

32. (Canceled).

33. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein a total length of the ~~scrollbar~~ spiral trough is directly proportional to ~~an amount~~ a number of items in the entire ordered list.

34. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are

incorporated herein by reference, wherein the subset of contiguous items of said entire ordered list of items ~~are arranged and~~ is displayed circumferentially around a perimeter of the ~~non-linear spiral~~ scrollbar.

35. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 24, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, further comprising ~~using a handle manipulator for maneuvering the rotatable region~~ rotating said thumb region along said spiral trough by a thumb manipulator of said graphical user interface.

36. (New) The method of claim 6, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein said thumb region comprises more than one turn of said spiral trough, corresponding to an angle greater than 360 degrees.

37. (New) The method of claim 18, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein said thumb region comprises more than one turn of said spiraling trough, corresponding to an angle greater than 360 degrees.

38. (New) The method of claim 30, all the limitation of which are incorporated herein by reference, wherein said thumb region comprises more than one turn of said spiral trough, corresponding to an angle greater than 360 degrees.

39. (New) The method of claim 1, wherein said entire ordered list of items corresponds lines of a document.

40. (New) The method of claim 12, wherein said entire ordered list of items corresponds to lines of a document.

41. (New) The method of claim 24, wherein said entire ordered list of items corresponds to lines of a document.